

Bureau of Health Care Quality and Compliance

STATEMENT OF DEFICIENCIES AND PLAN OF CORRECTION		(X1) PROVIDER/SUPPLIER/CLIA IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: NVS4432HHA	(X2) MULTIPLE CONSTRUCTION A. BUILDING _____ B. WING _____		(X3) DATE SURVEY COMPLETED 05/11/2011
NAME OF PROVIDER OR SUPPLIER CARE4LIFE HOME HEALTH AGENCY			STREET ADDRESS, CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE 8665 WEST FLAMINGO ROAD SUITE 123 LAS VEGAS, NV 89131		
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H 00	<p>INITIAL COMMENTS</p> <p>This Statement of Deficiencies was generated as a result of a abbreviated focused State Relicensure Survey conducted at your agency on 5/11/11, in accordance with Nevada Administrative Code, Chapter 449 Home Health Agencies.</p> <p>The findings and conclusions of any investigation by the Health Division shall not be construed as prohibiting any criminal or civil investigations, actions, or other claims for relief that may be available to any party under applicable federal, state, or local laws.</p> <p>The agency's census was 80. Five patient files were reviewed. One home visit was conducted. Nine employee files were reviewed.</p> <p>The following deficiencies were identified:</p>	H 00			
H153	<p>449.782 Personnel Policies</p> <p>A home health agency shall establish written policies concerning the qualification, responsibilities and conditions of employment for each type of personnel, including licensure if required by law. The written policies must be reviewed as needed and made available to the members of the staff and the advisory groups. The personnel policies must provide for:</p> <p>7. The annual testing of all employees who have contact with patients for tuberculosis pursuant to NAC 441A.375; and</p> <p>This Regulation is not met as evidenced by: Sec. 10. NAC 441A.375 is hereby amended to read as follows: 441A.375 1. A case having tuberculosis or</p>	H153			

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H153	Continued From page 1 suspected case considered to have tuberculosis in a medical facility or a facility for the dependent must be managed in accordance with the guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as adopted by reference in paragraph (h) of subsection 1 of NAC 441A.200. 2. A medical facility, a facility for the dependent or a home for individual residential care shall maintain surveillance of employees of the facility or home for tuberculosis and tuberculosis infection. The surveillance of employees must be conducted in accordance with the recommendations of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for preventing the transmission of tuberculosis in facilities providing health care set forth in the guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as adopted by reference in paragraph (h) of subsection 1 of NAC 441A.200. 3. Before initial employment, a person employed in a medical facility, a facility for the dependent or a home for individual residential care shall have a: (a) Physical examination or certification from a licensed physician that the person is in a state of good health, is free from active tuberculosis and any other communicable disease in a contagious stage; and (b) Tuberculosis screening test within the preceding 12 months, including persons with a history of bacillus Calmette-Guerin (BCG) vaccination. If the employee has only completed the first step of a 2-step Mantoux tuberculin skin test within the preceding 12 months, then the second step of the 2-step Mantoux tuberculin skin test or other single-step tuberculosis screening test must be administered. A single annual tuberculosis screening test must be administered thereafter, unless the medical director of the facility or his	H153			

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H153	<p>Continued From page 2</p> <p>designee or another licensed physician determines that the risk of exposure is appropriate for a lesser frequency of testing and documents that determination. The risk of exposure and corresponding frequency of examination must be determined by following the guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as adopted by reference in paragraph (h) of subsection 1 of NAC 441A.200.</p> <p>4. An employee with a documented history of a positive tuberculosis screening test is exempt from screening with skin tests or chest radiographs unless he develops symptoms suggestive of tuberculosis.</p> <p>5. A person who demonstrates a positive tuberculosis screening test administered pursuant to subsection 3 shall submit to a chest radiograph and medical evaluation for active tuberculosis.</p> <p>6. Counseling and preventive treatment must be offered to a person with a positive tuberculosis screening test in accordance with the guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention as adopted by reference in paragraph (g) of subsection 1 of NAC 441A.200.</p> <p>7. A medical facility shall maintain surveillance of employees for the development of pulmonary symptoms. A person with a history of tuberculosis or a positive tuberculosis screening test shall report promptly to the infection control specialist, if any, or to the director or other person in charge of the medical facility if the medical facility has not designated an infection control specialist, when any pulmonary symptoms develop. If symptoms of tuberculosis are present, the employee shall be evaluated for tuberculosis.</p> <p>Based on employee file review, the facility failed to ensure compliance with chapter 441A of Nevada Administrative Code for 3 of 9</p>	H153			

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H153	<p>Continued From page 3</p> <p>employees (Employee #2, #3 and #7).</p> <p>Employees #2, #3 and #7 were all hired in 2007. Upon hire they had chest X-rays to rule out active TB. They also performed signs and symptoms reviews annually. Their employee files did not contain documented histories of positive tuberculosis screening tests which would have exempted them from screening with skin tests.</p> <p>Scope : 2 Severity : 2</p>	H153			

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